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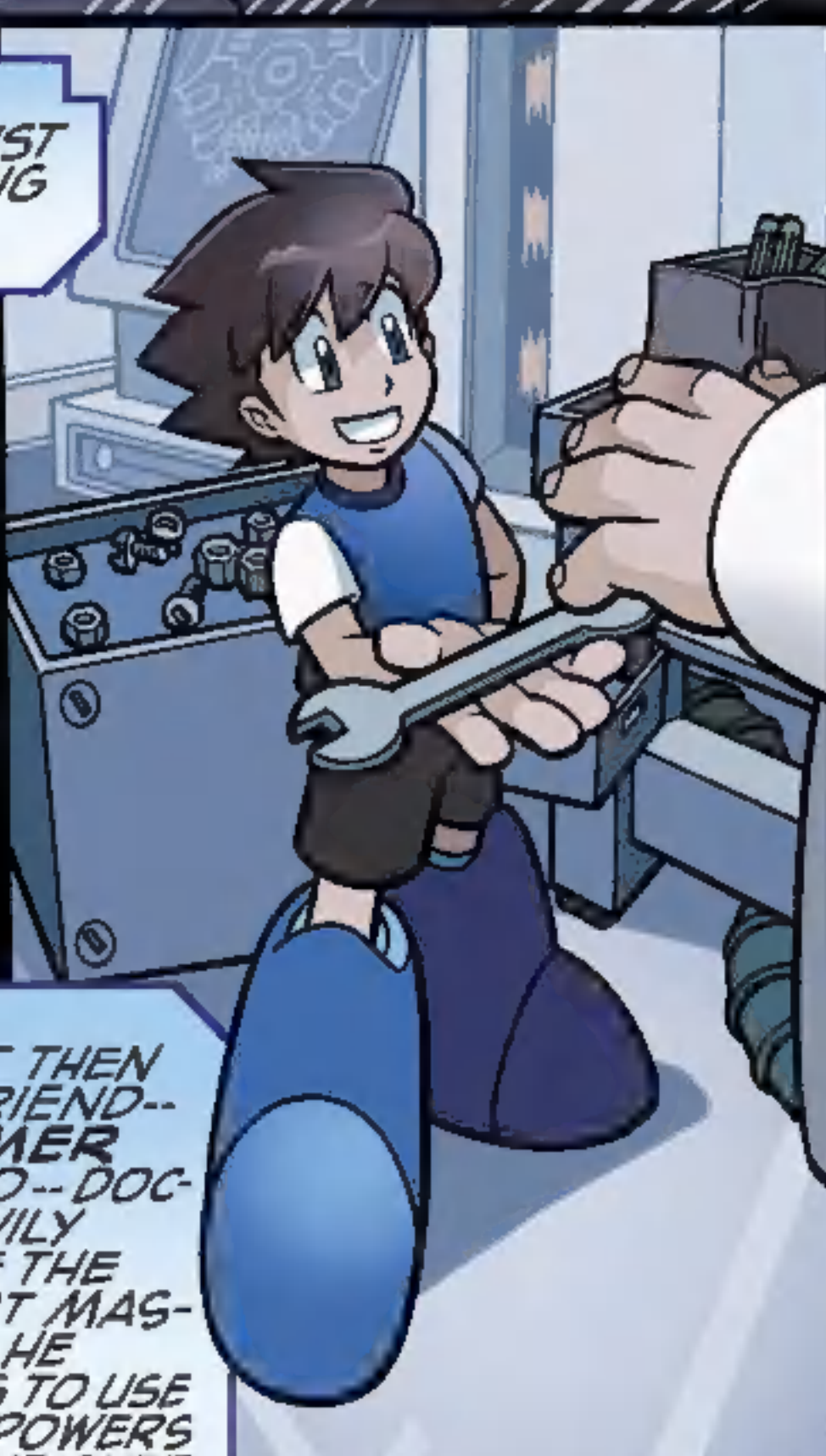


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I USED TO BE ROCK. JUST
ANOTHER ROBOT HELPING
IN DR. LIGHT'S LAB...



...BUT THEN
HIS FRIEND--
FORMER
FRIEND-- DOG-
TOR WILY
STOLE THE
ROBOT MAS-
TERS. HE
WANTS TO USE
THEIR POWERS
TO TAKE OVER
THE WORLD.


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PART FOUR:

**FINALE:
SHOWDOWN GET!**

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I PROMISED
I WOULD
STAND UP AND
FIGHT TO SAVE
EVERYONE AS
MEGA MAN.



IT'S NOT AN
EASY PROMISE
TO KEEP!

SLAM!

AAH!
WHAT
IS THIS
THING?

...TO
THE
EYE!

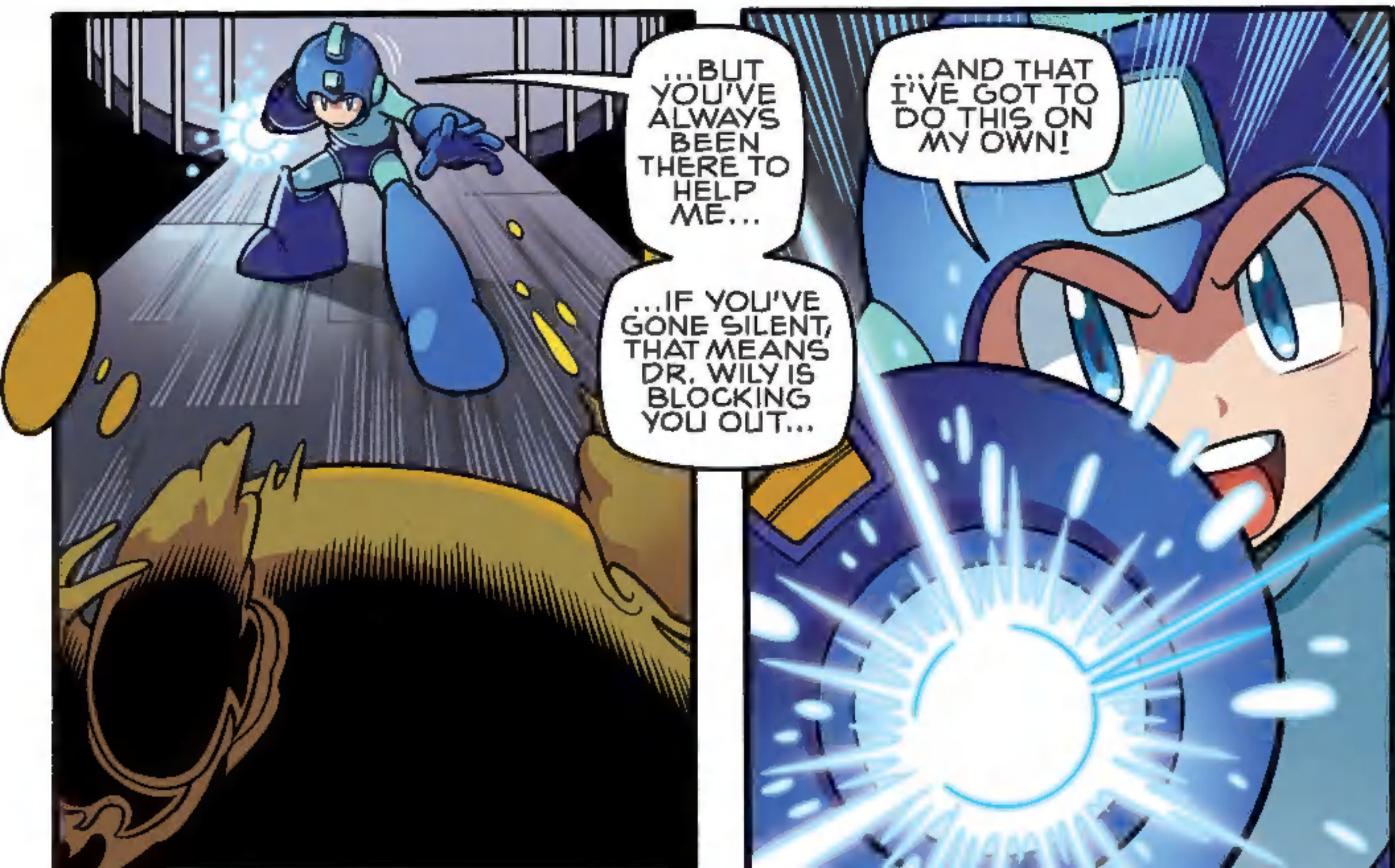
NO...I CAN'T
DO THAT.

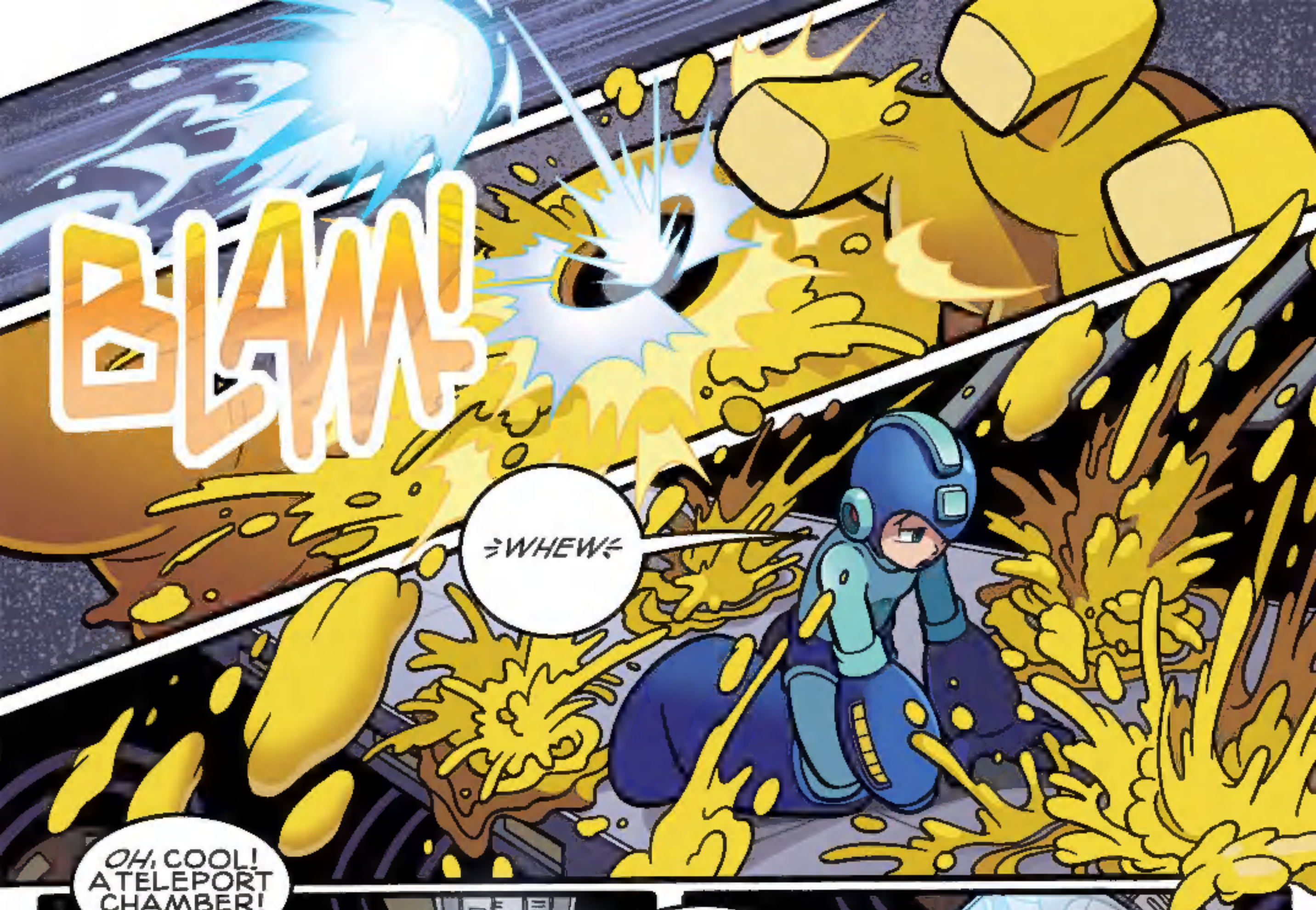
YOU'RE TOUGH,
BUT I BEAT ALL
SIX ROBOT
MASTERS! I
COPIED ALL
THEIR ADVANCED
WEAPONS! WE'LL
SEE HOW MUCH
YOU LIKE A
THUNDER
BEAM...

I LET THE POWER
GO TO MY HEAD
ONCE ALREADY.*
I NEVER WANT TO
FRIGHTEN ROLL
LIKE THAT AGAIN...

*SEE
LAST
ISSUE.

I'LL STOP YOU
WITH THE MEGA
BUSTER DR, LIGHT
TRUSTED ME
WITH FROM THE
BEGINNING!





⇒WHEW⇐

OH, COOL!
A TELEPORT
CHAMBER!

I BET
I CAN GET
TO THE CENTER
OF THIS PLACE
WITHOUT
HAVING
TO...

...OH.



THE ROBOT
MASTERS?!
DR. WILY
REPAIRED
YOU?!

THERE'S
NO ESCAPE
THIS TIME!
WE *WILL*
HAVE A
PROPER
BATTLE!

YOU MADE
A MOCKERY
OF US, KID,
AND I, FOR
ONE, WILL *NOT*
TOLERATE
THAT.

FINE!
I'LL FIGHT YOU
ALL AGAIN! ONLY
THIS TIME, I
HAVE *ALL* YOUR
WEAPONS AND
I KNOW ALL
YOUR WEAK-
NESSES!

I CAN
TEAR YOU ALL
APART!



BUT
I DON'T
WANT
TO.



WHAT
ARE YOU
...?!



DR. LIGHT
BUILT YOU TO
HELP PEOPLE
AND DO THE
JOBS HUMANS
CAN'T DO
SAFELY.

HE BUILT *ME*
TO HELP HIM
BUILD AND
REPAIR YOU.

YOU'RE
HELPING
DR. WILY
TAKE OVER
THE WORLD.
ME FIGHTING
YOU LIKE
THIS...

...THIS ISN'T
WHAT WE
WERE *MEANT*
TO DO.

WHAT
DR. WILY
IS USING
YOU FOR
IS *WRONG*.
AND IT'S
WASTING
YOUR TRUE
POTENTIAL.





COME BACK TO LIGHT LABS WITH ME. DR. LIGHT CAN FIX YOUR PROGRAMMING...

...AND YOU CAN START DOING SOME *GOOD*.

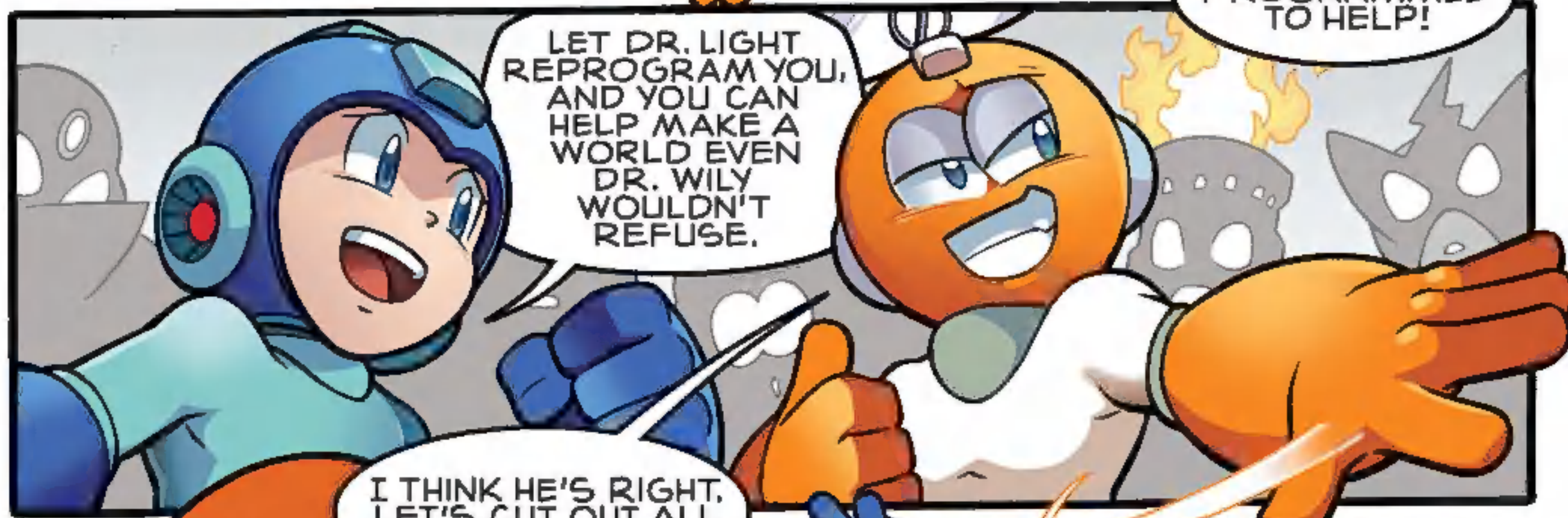
DR. LIGHT WOULD REALLY ...TAKE US BACK...?

YOU'RE SAYING THIS WORLD CONQUEST IS...UNJUST?

WE CAN'T GO AGAINST OUR PROGRAMMING. DR. WILY ORDERS US, AND WE MUST OBEY.

YEAH, BUT LOOK AT ME!

I WASN'T PROGRAMMED TO FIGHT. I'M FIGHTING BECAUSE I'M PROGRAMMED TO HELP!



LET DR. LIGHT REPROGRAM YOU, AND YOU CAN HELP MAKE A WORLD EVEN DR. WILY WOULDN'T REFUSE.

I THINK HE'S RIGHT. LET'S CUT OUT ALL THE FIGHTING.



NO! HE BEAT US, AND IT JUST MADE HIM STRONGER! NOW WE GOTTA BEAT HIM AND BECOME STRONGER OURSELVES!

WHAT IF I DON'T WANT TO, YA BIG LUG?!



WAIT, GUYS...

SORRY, KID, BUT I SEE MY JOBS THROUGH TO THE END.



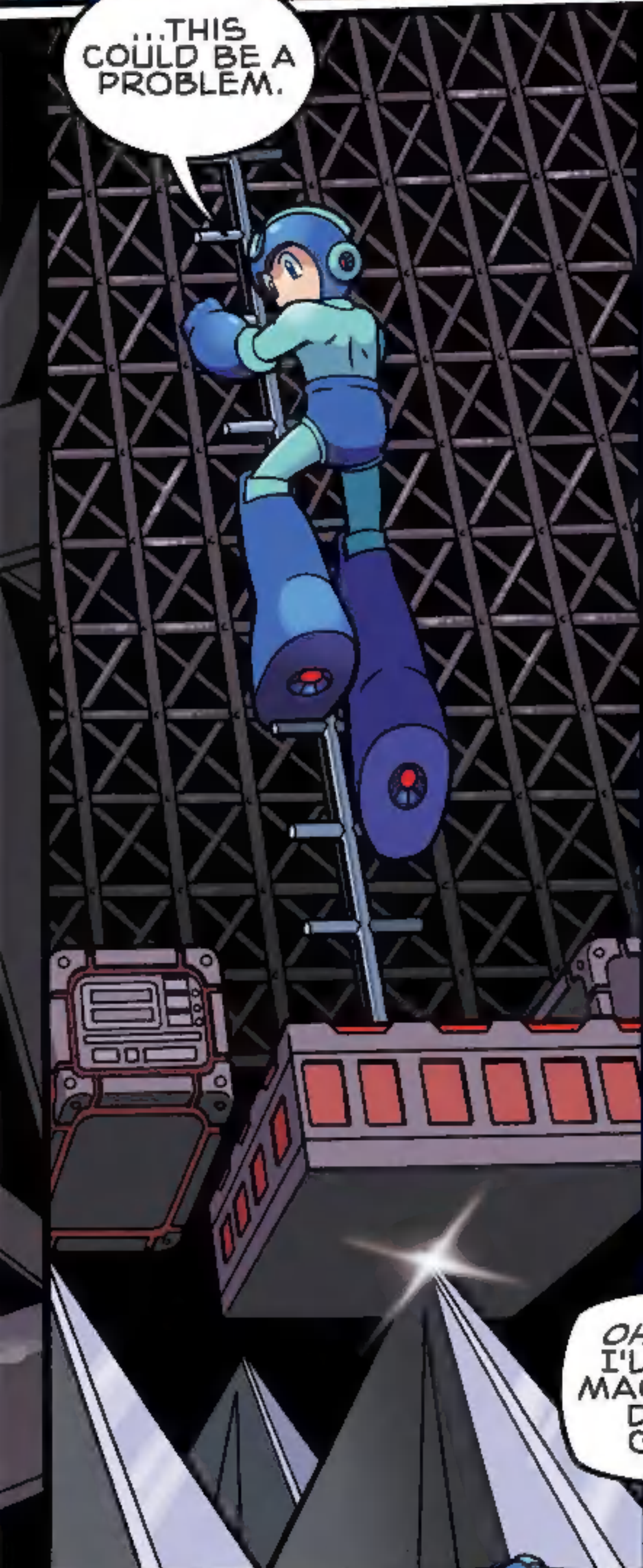
BOOM! BOOM!
BOOM! BOOM!





HMM...

...THIS
COULD BE A
PROBLEM.

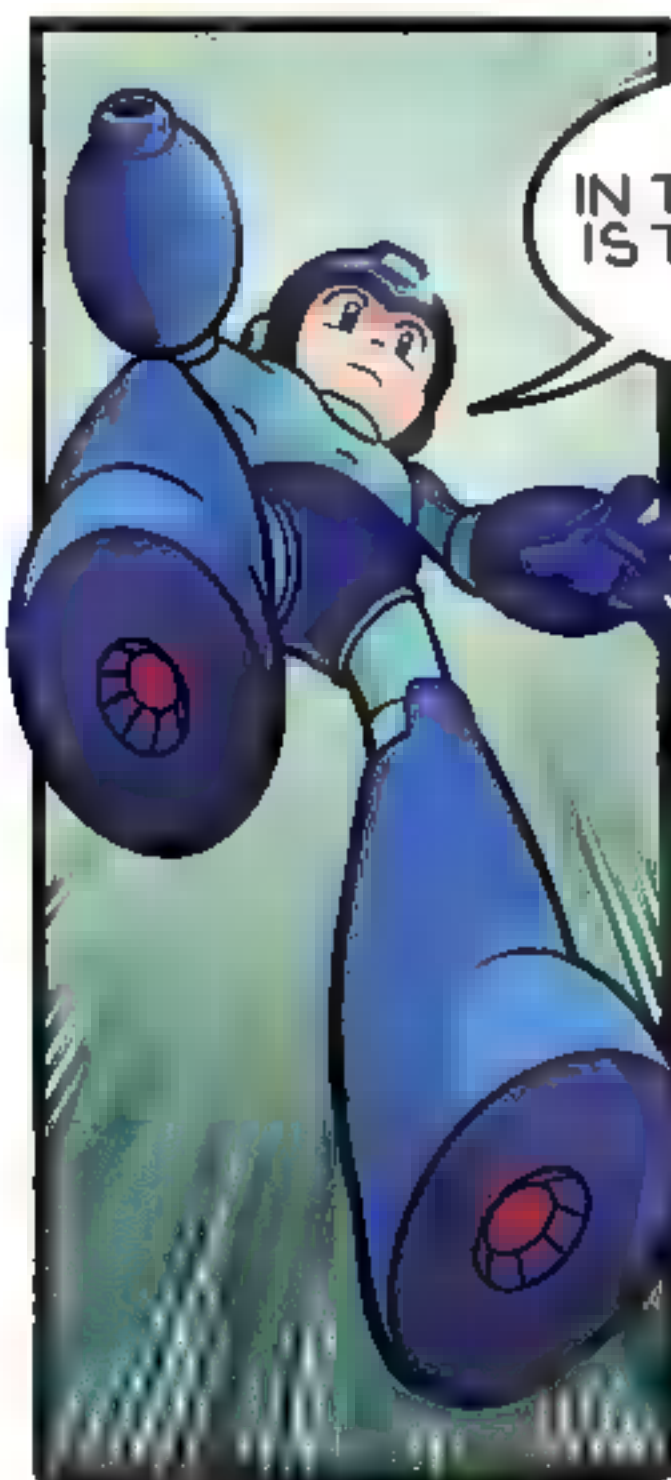


OH! I KNOW!
I'LL USE THE
MAGNET BEAM
DR. LIGHT
GAVE ME!

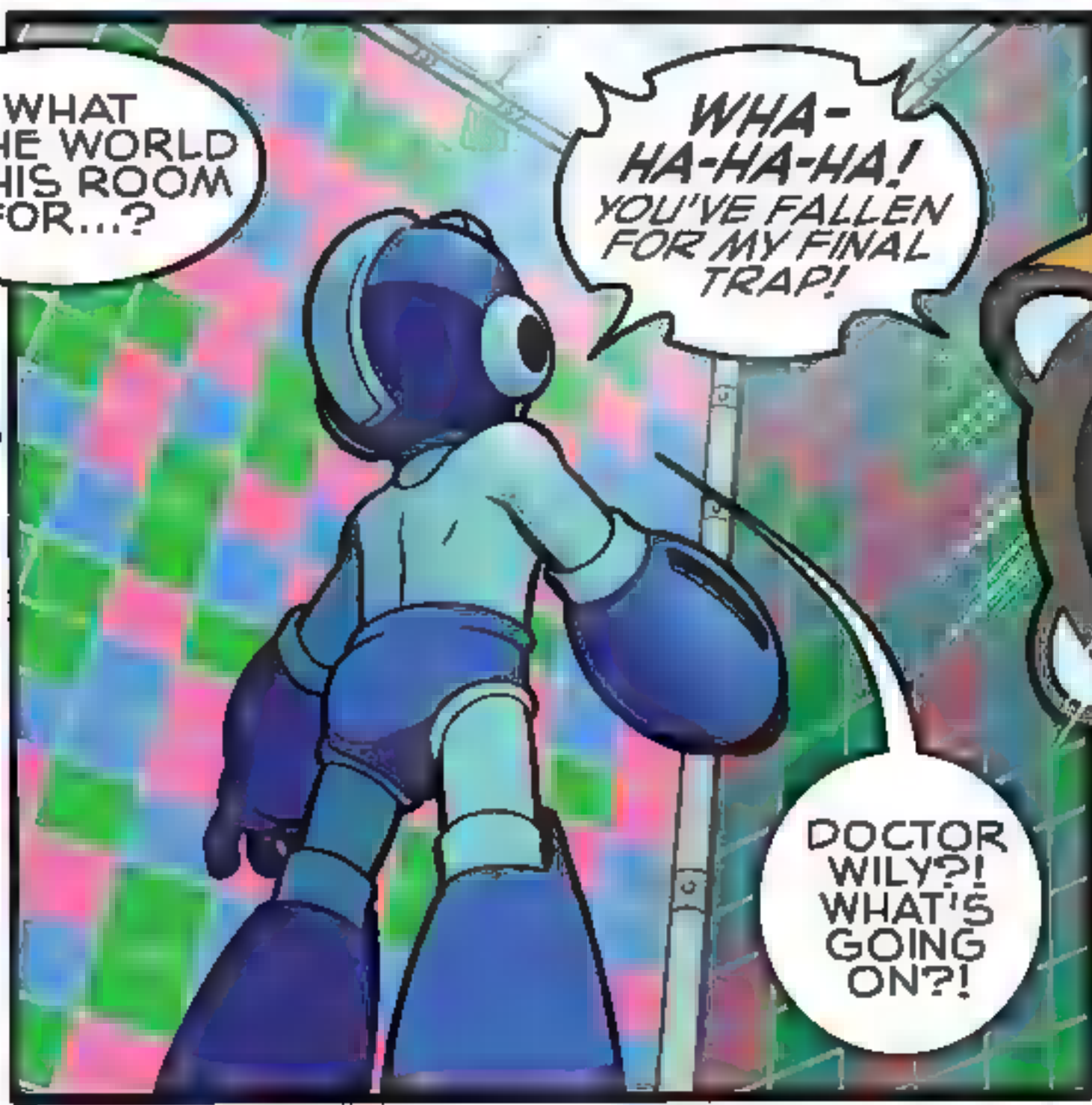


THIS
IS THE
COOLEST
WEAPON
EVER!





WHAT
IN THE WORLD
IS THIS ROOM
FOR...?



WHA-
HA-HA-HA!
YOU'VE FALLEN
FOR MY FINAL
TRAP!

DOCTOR
WILY?!
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?!



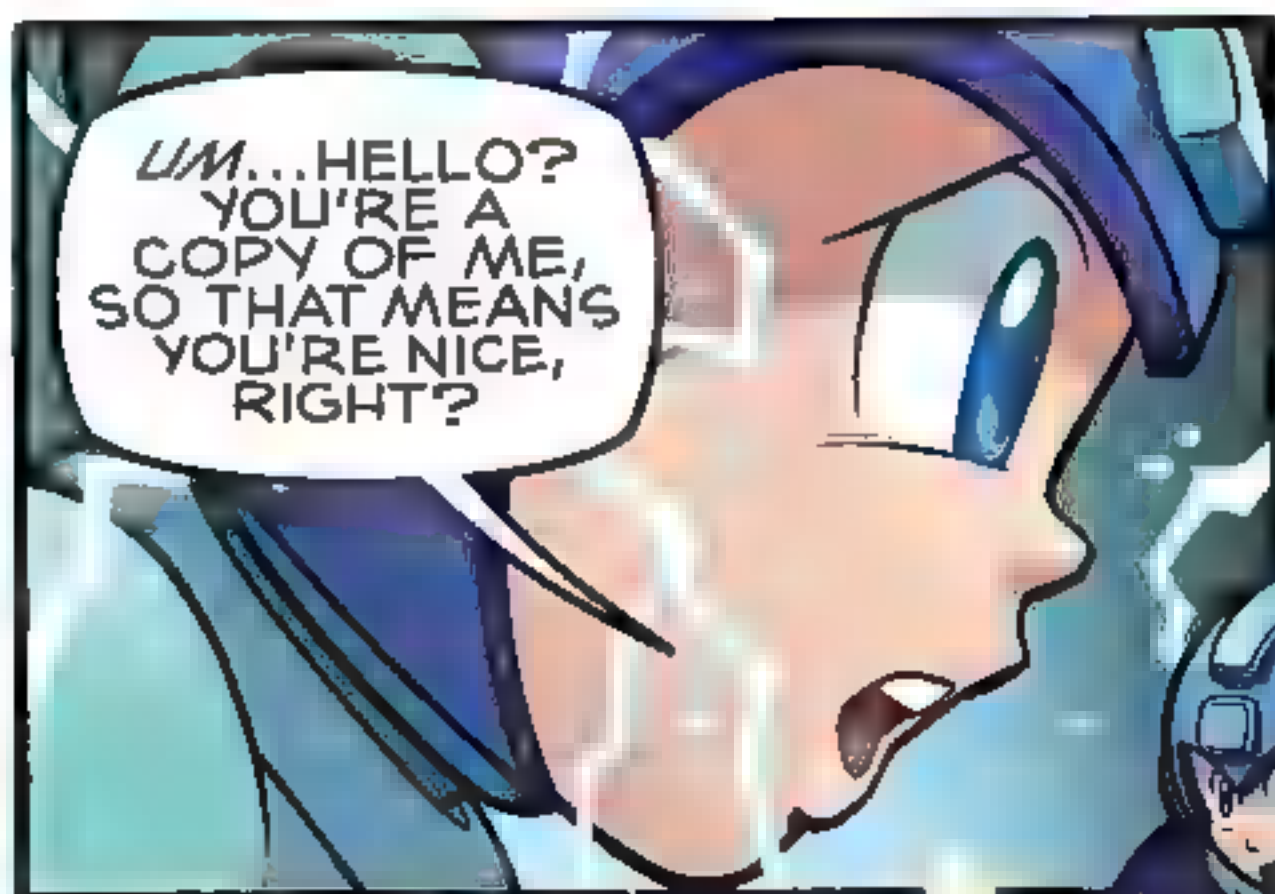
THOMAS
THINKS HE'S
SO SMART
WITH HIS
VARIABLE TOOL
SYSTEM AND
HIS FANCY-
SCHMANCY
COPY CHIP,
DOES HE?



IF YOU'RE
SO SPECIAL,
MEGA MAN,
HOW CAN I
COPY YOU
SO EASILY?



NO
WAY!






ATTACK!



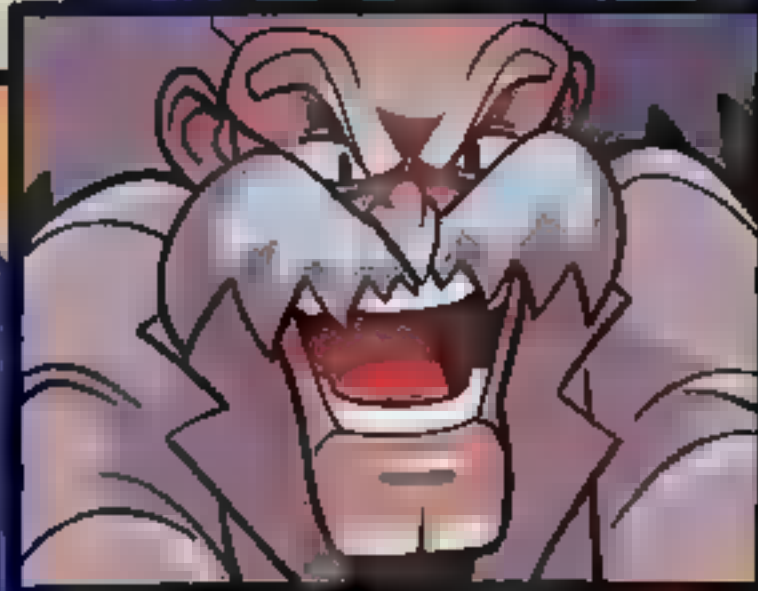




RRARGH!
SO MUCH FOR
BEING "ROBOT
MASTERS"
IF YOU WANT
A ROBOT
SCRAPPED...

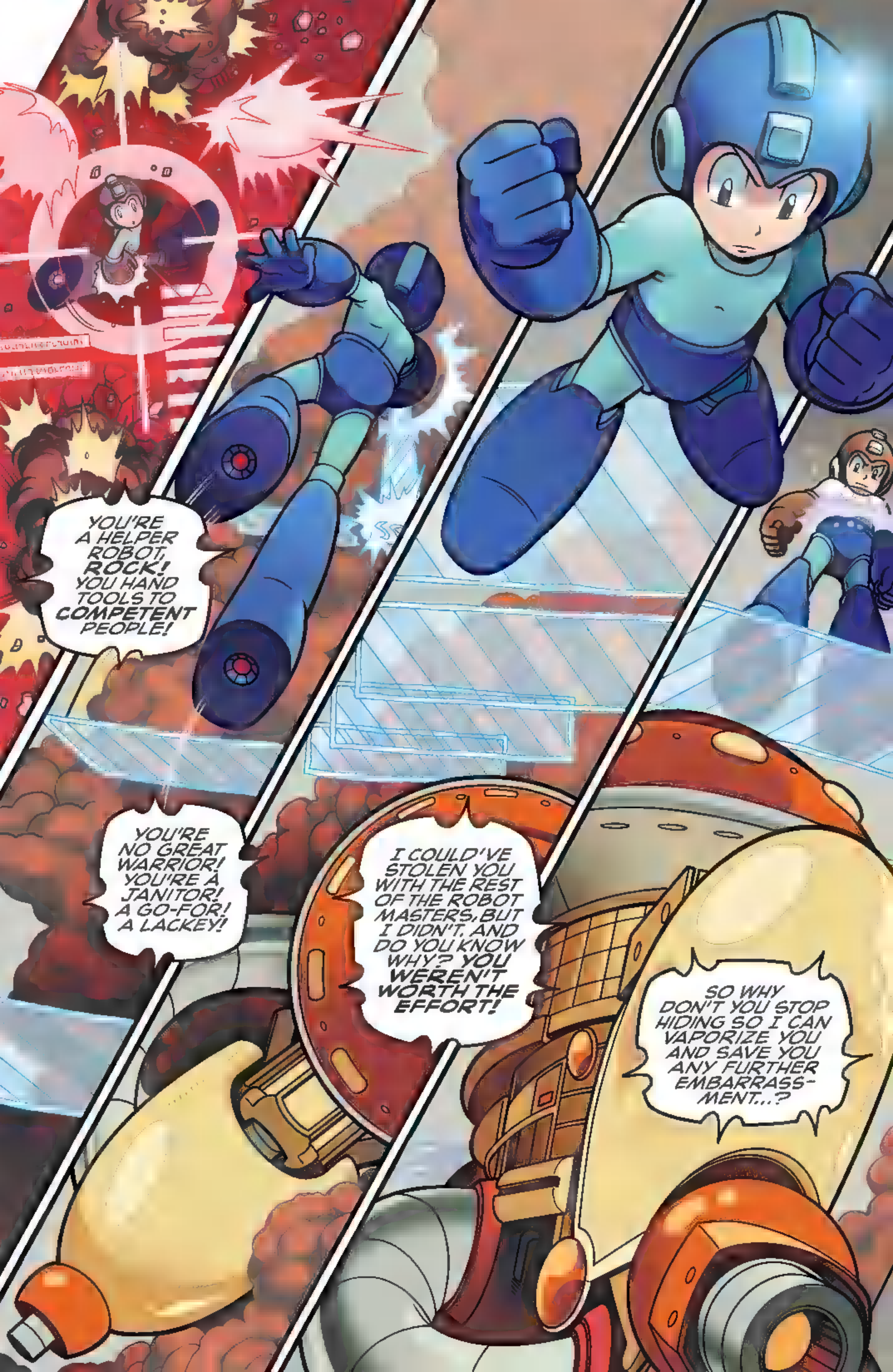
...YOU
JUST HAVE
TO DO IT
YOUR-
SELF!

GET
OUT OF
HERE! I'LL
HANDLE
HIM!



BOOM!

"HANDLE" ME?!
YOU CAN'T
"HANDLE" ME!



YOU'RE
A HELPER
ROBOT,
ROCK!
YOU HAND
TOOLS TO
COMPETENT
PEOPLE!

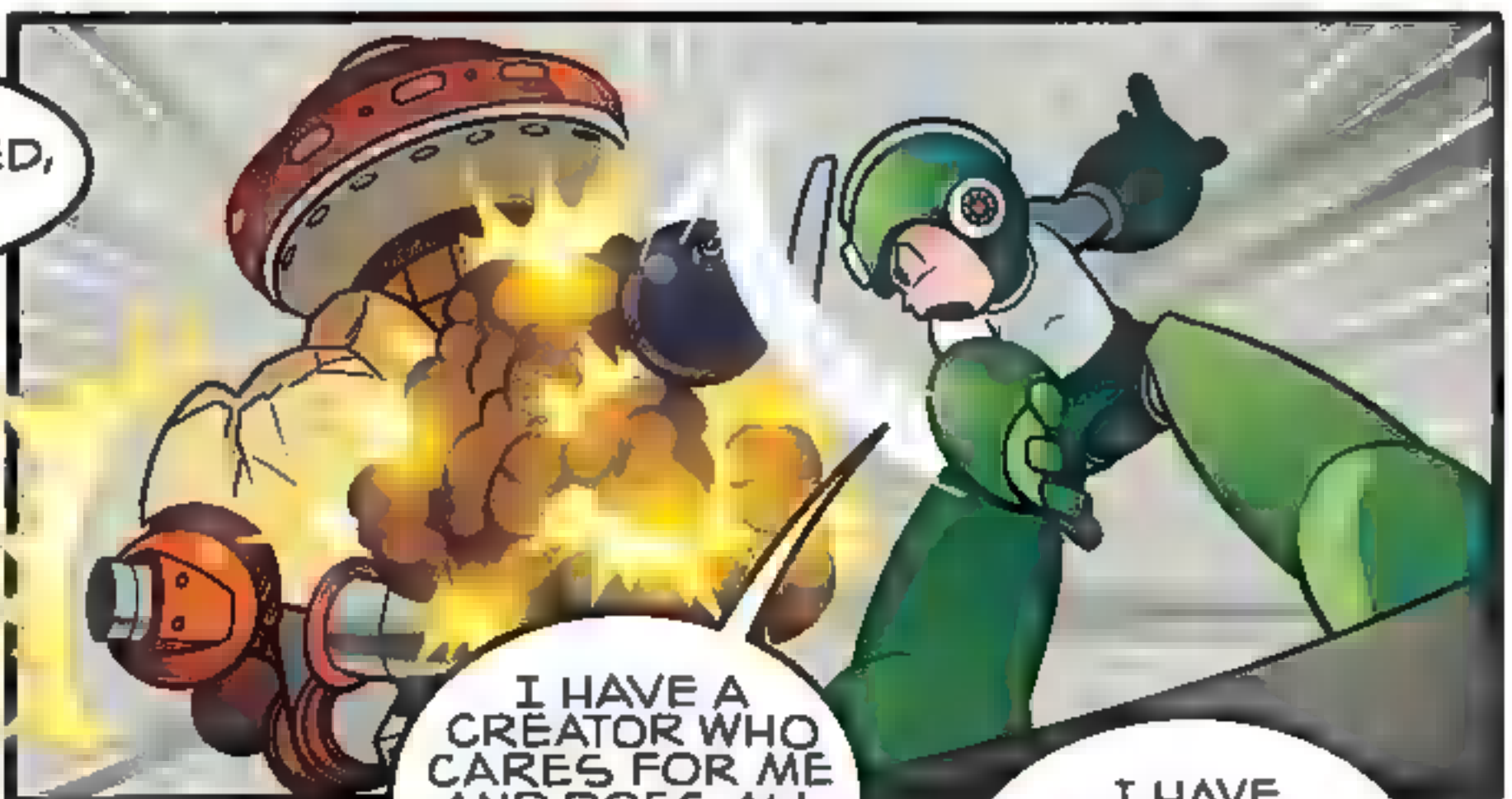
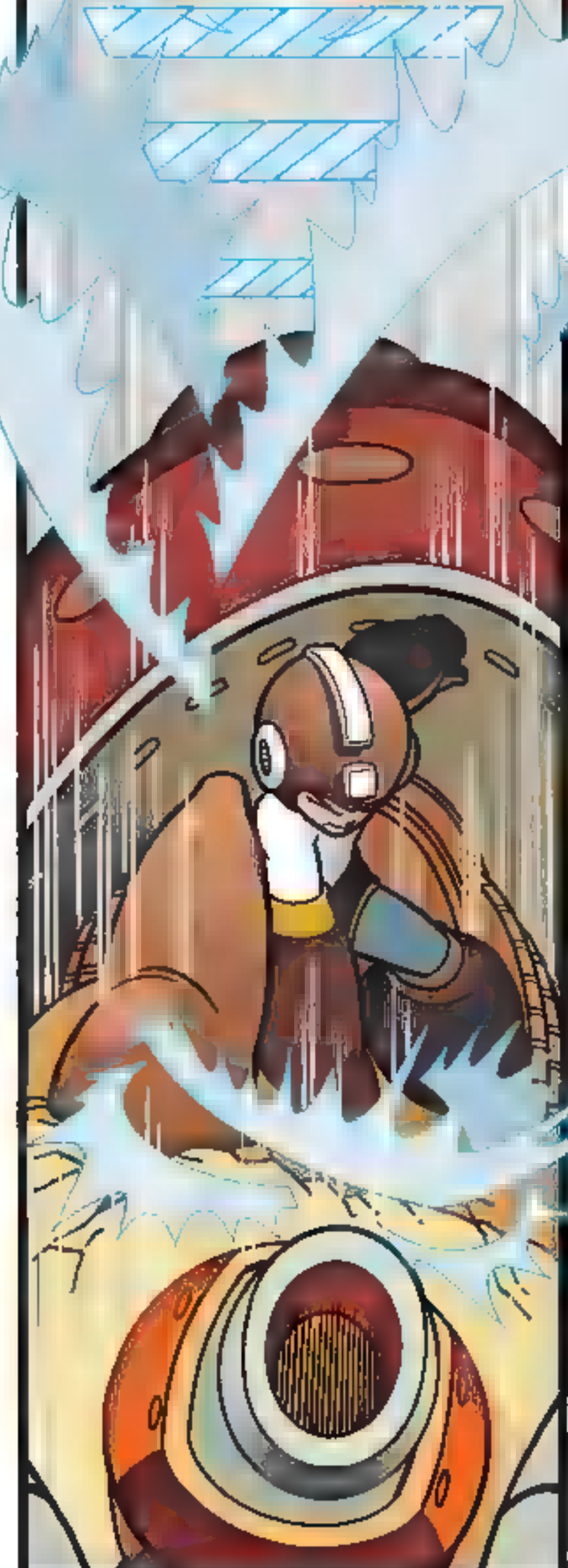
YOU'RE
NO GREAT
WARRIOR!
YOU'RE A
JANITOR!
A GO-FOR!
A LACKEY!

I COULD'VE
STOLEN YOU
WITH THE REST
OF THE ROBOT
MASTERS, BUT
I DIDN'T, AND
DO YOU KNOW
WHY? YOU
WEREN'T
WORTH THE
EFFORT!

SO WHY
DON'T YOU STOP
HIDING SO I CAN
VAPORIZE YOU
AND SAVE YOU
ANY FURTHER
EMBARRASS-
MENT...?

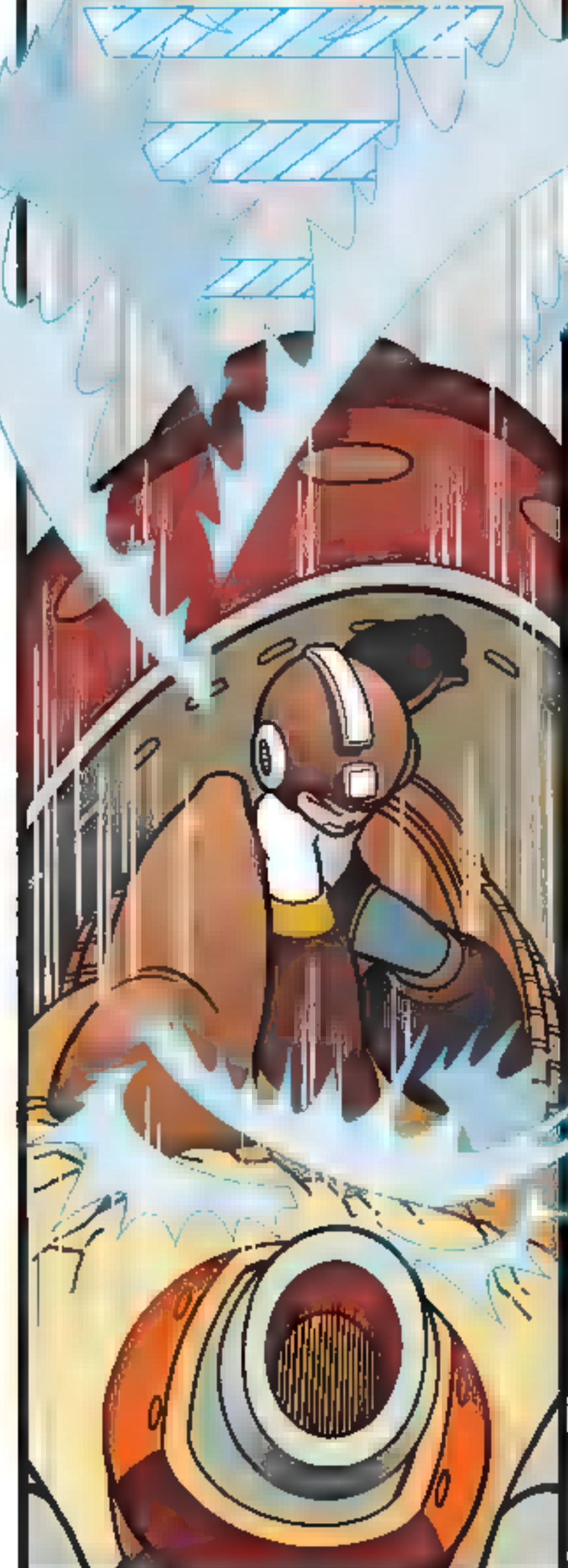


I'M NOT EMBARRASSED, DR. WILY.

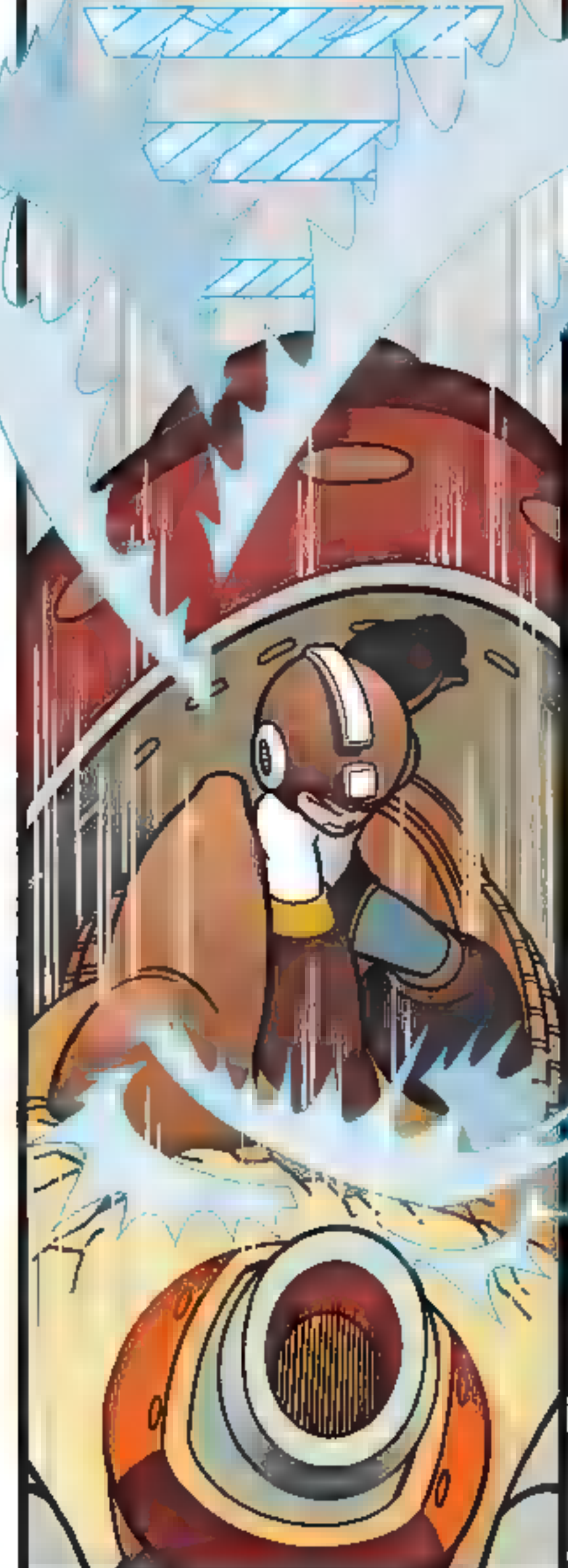


I HAVE A CREATOR WHO CARES FOR ME AND DOES ALL HE CAN TO SUPPORT ME.

I HAVE A SISTER WHO LOVES ME AND FORGAVE ME FOR BEING STUPID.



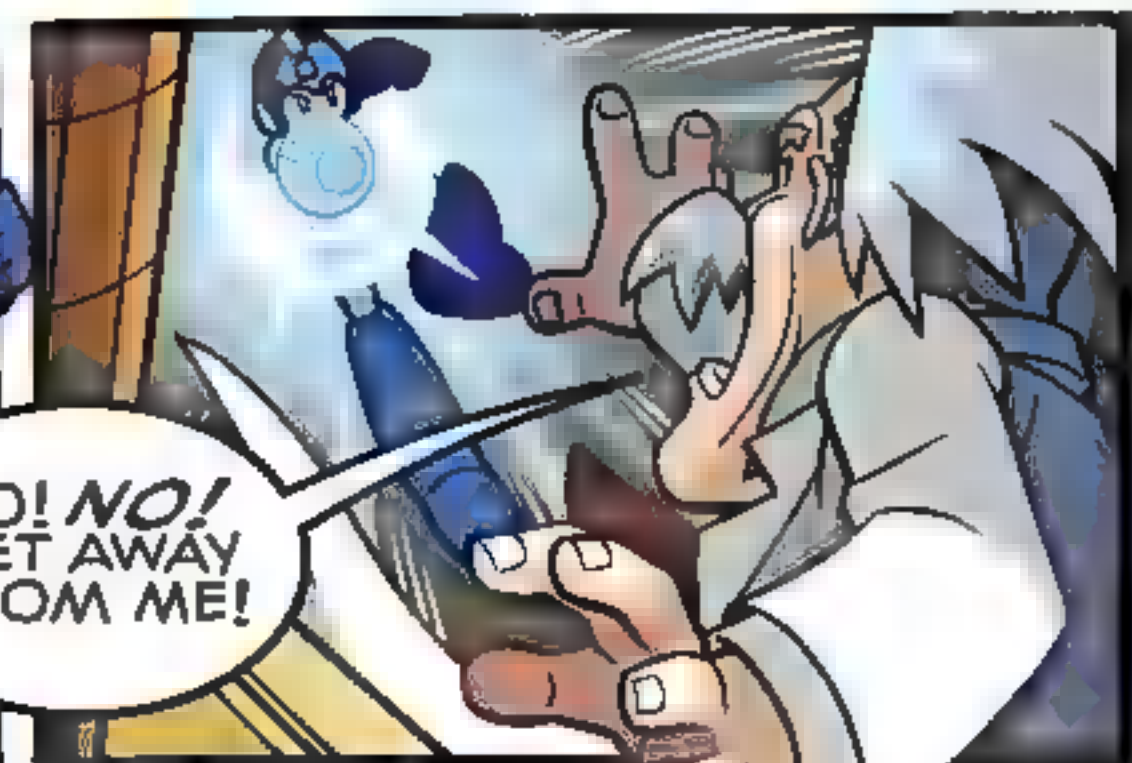
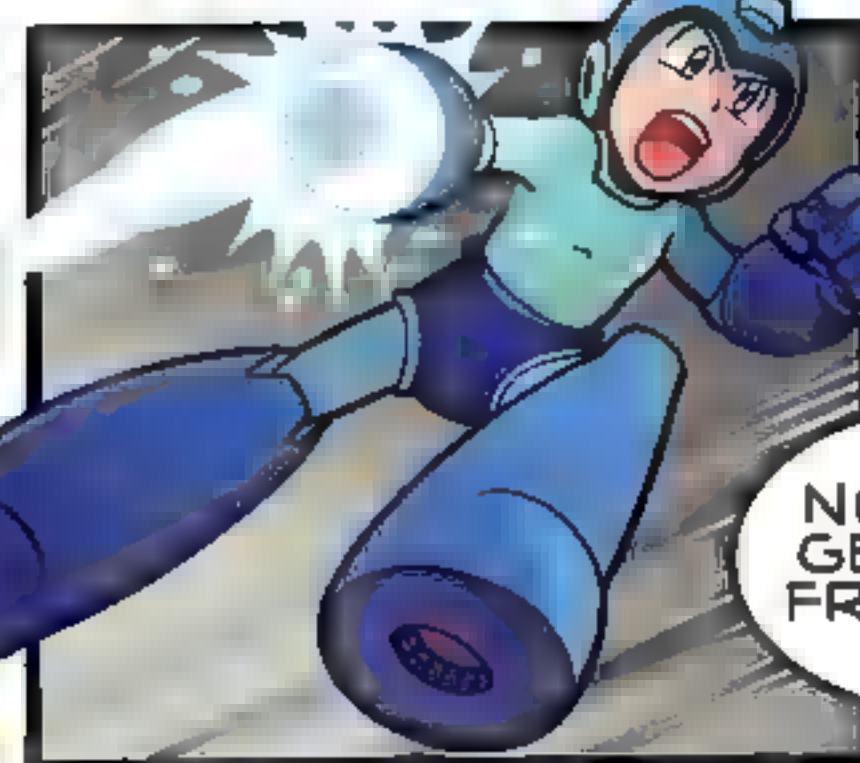
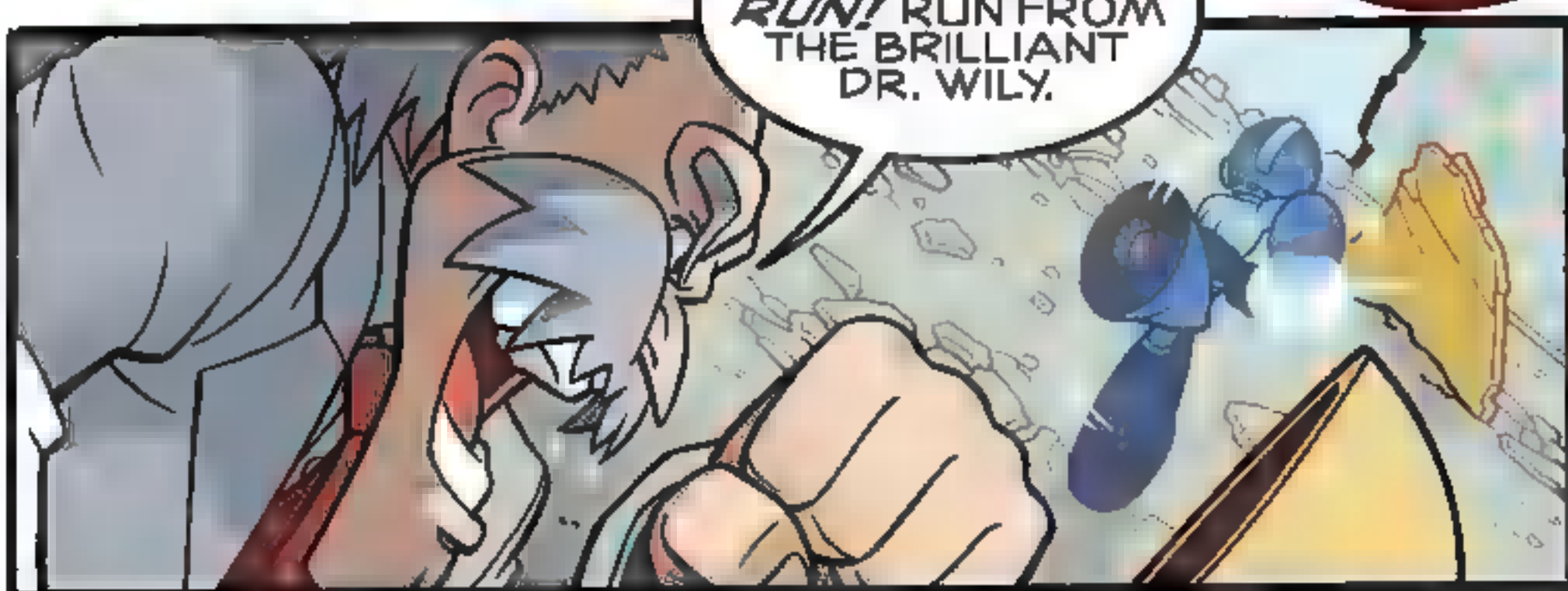
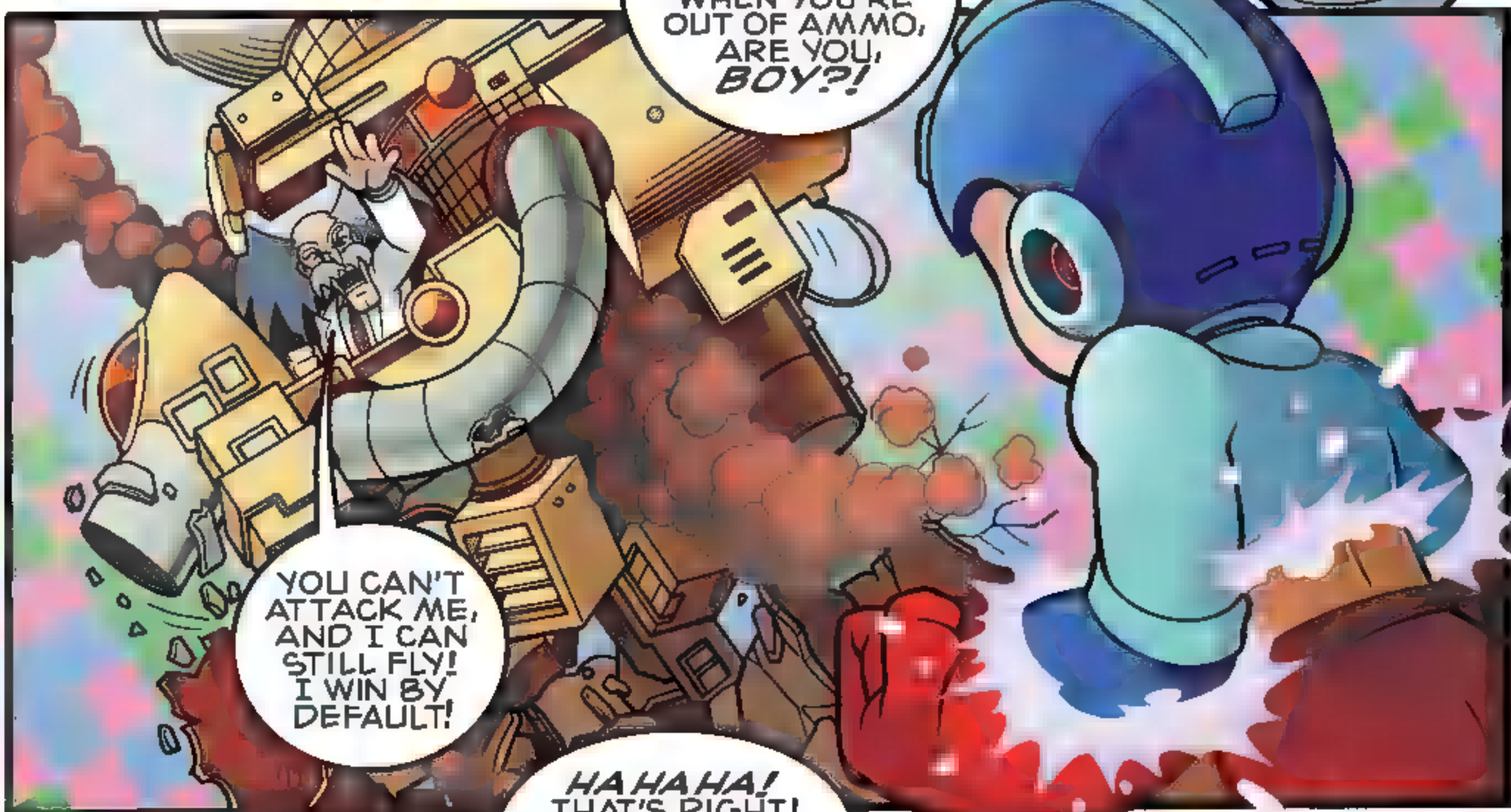
YOU HAD TO STEAL DR. LIGHT'S ROBOTS TO GET ATTENTION. EVEN THOUGH YOU REPROGRAMMED THEM, YOU COULDN'T STOP A "LACKEY" LIKE ME.

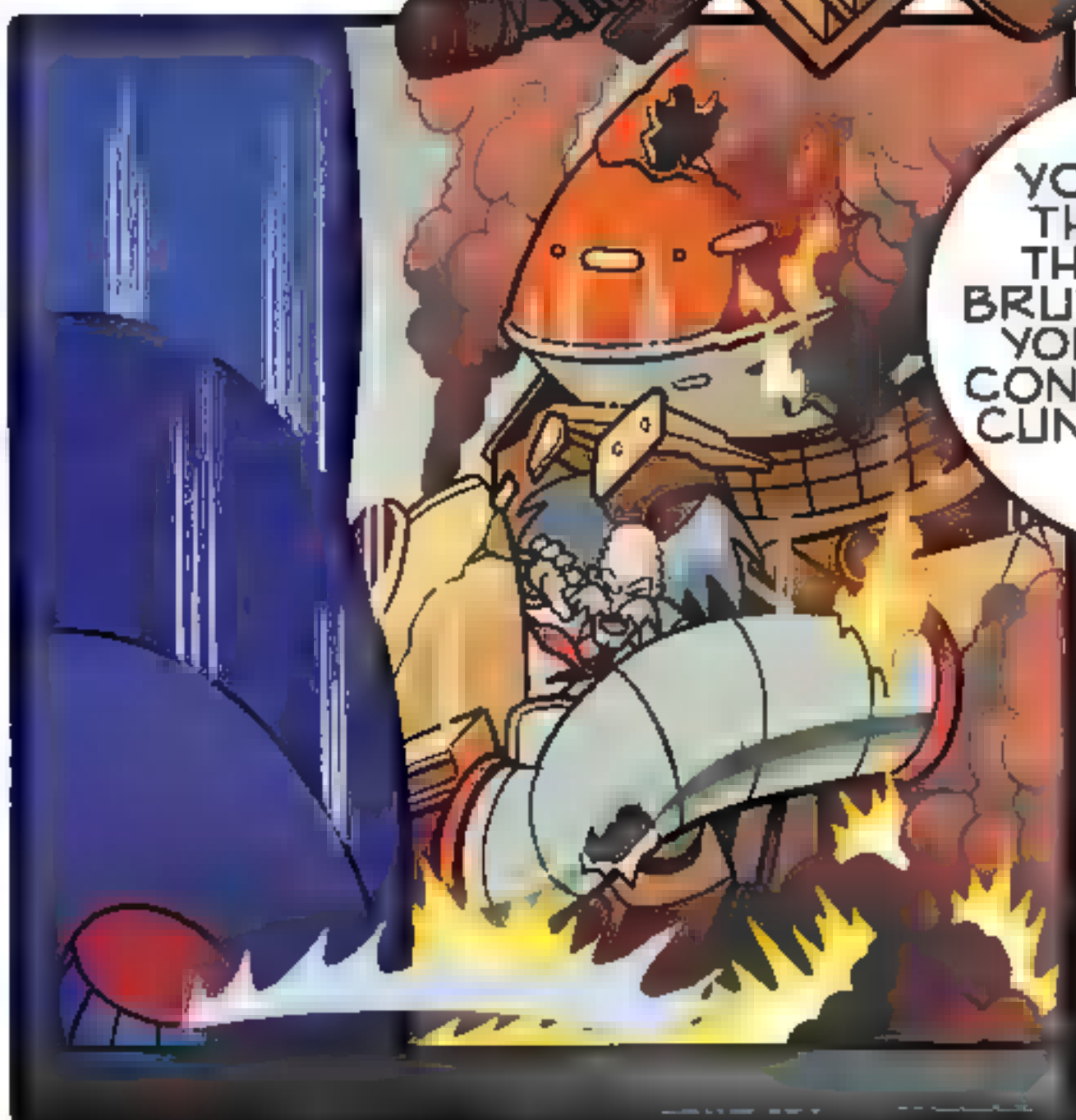


SO WHICH ONE OF US SHOULD **REALLY** BE EMBARRASSED, DOCTOR WILY?

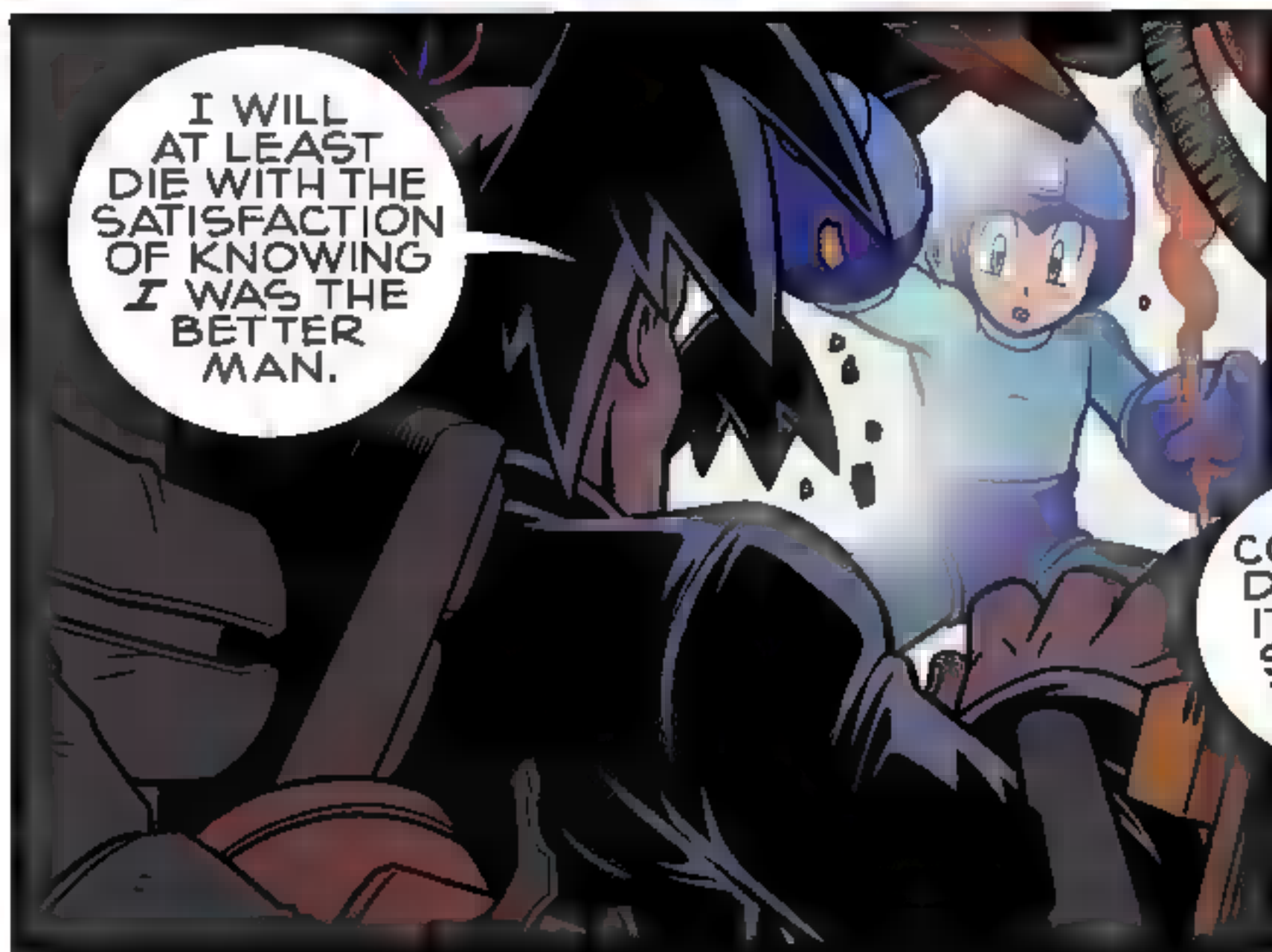


GYAH!!





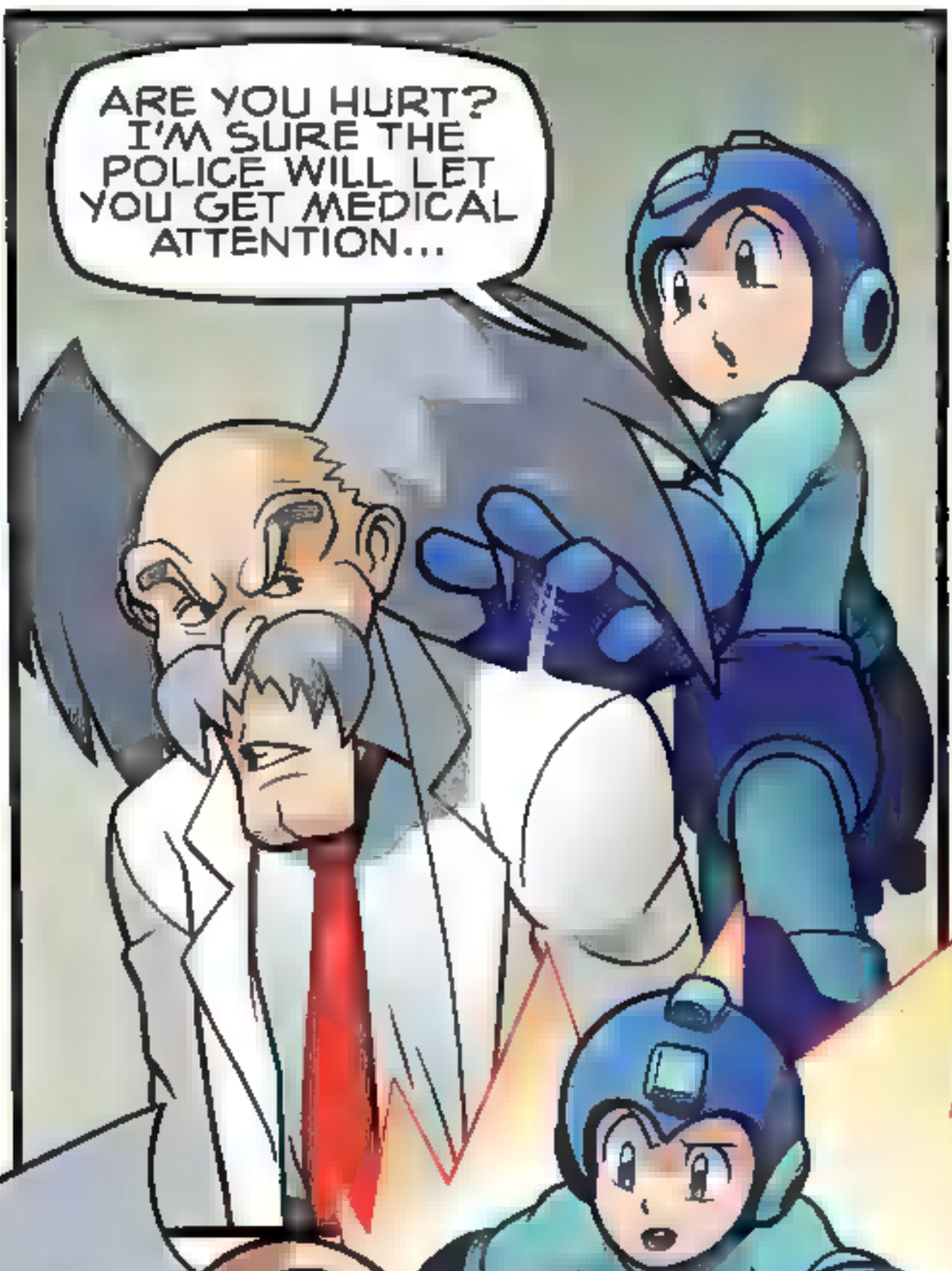
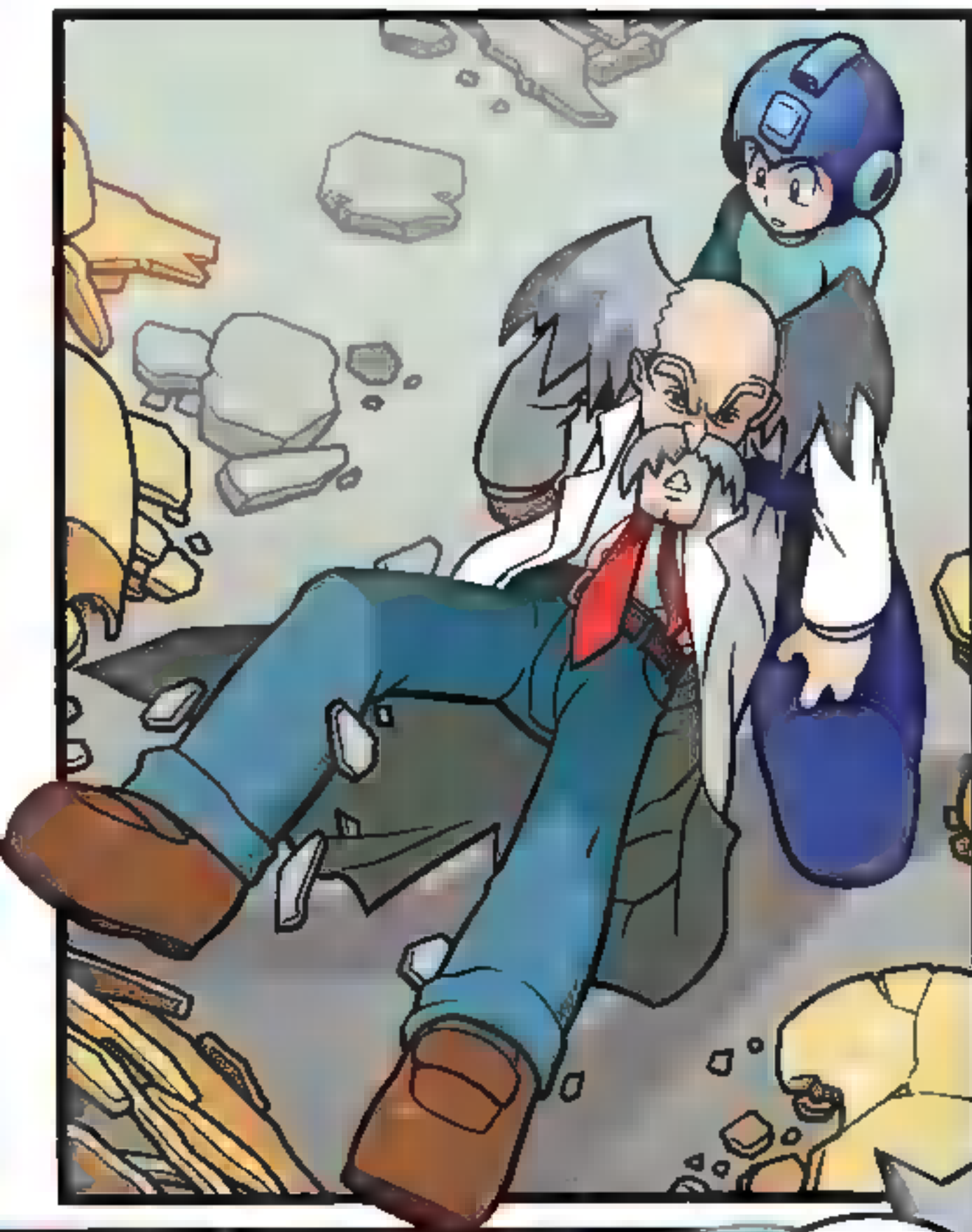
WELL...
YOU'VE WON,
THOMAS. IN
THE END, THE
BRUTE FORCE OF
YOUR ROBOTS
CONQUERED THE
CUNNING OF MY
GENIUS.



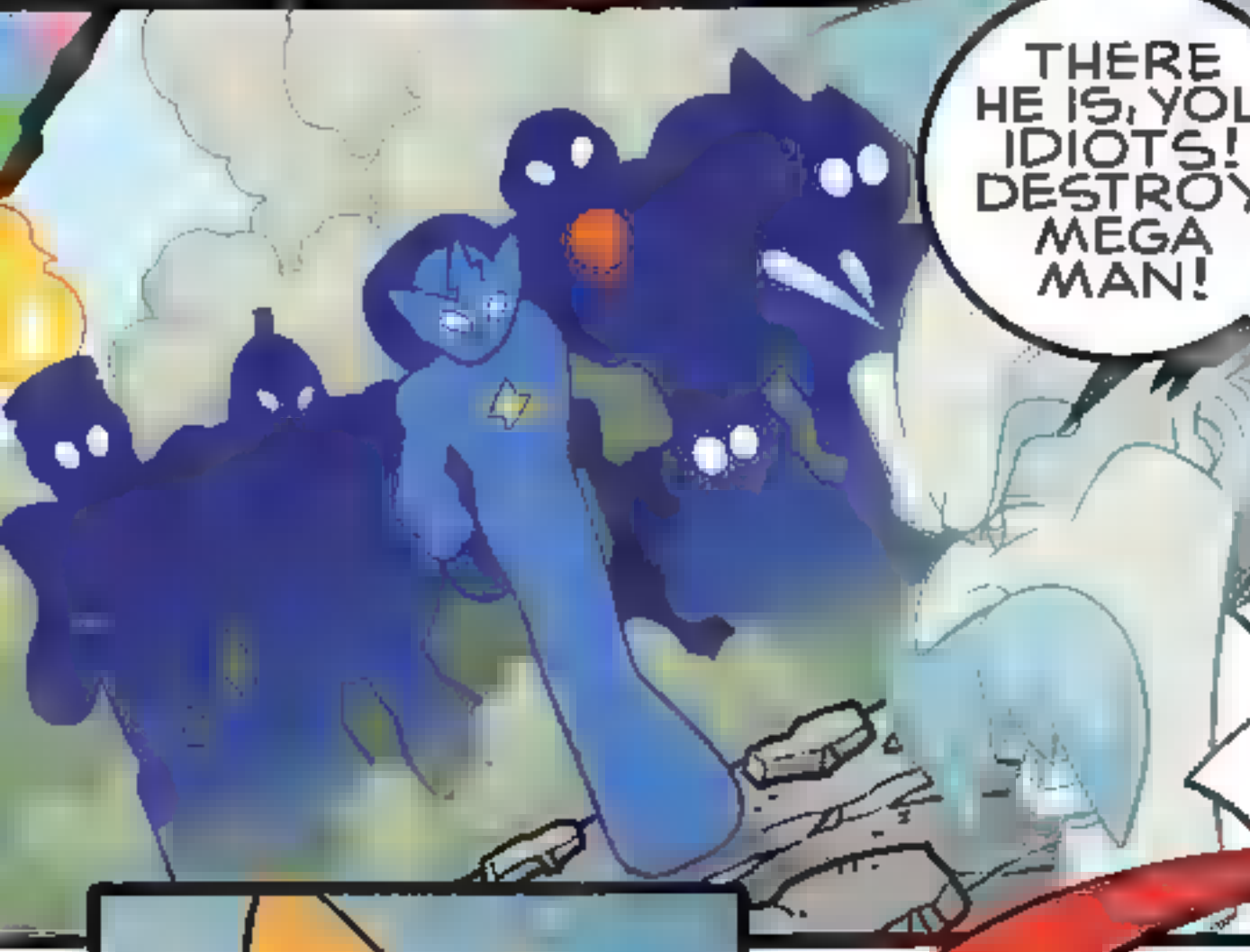
I WILL
AT LEAST
DIE WITH THE
SATISFACTION
OF KNOWING
I WAS THE
BETTER
MAN.



COME ON,
DR. WILY!
IT'S NOT
SAFE IN
THERE!



ARE YOU HURT?
I'M SURE THE
POLICE WILL LET
YOU GET MEDICAL
ATTENTION...



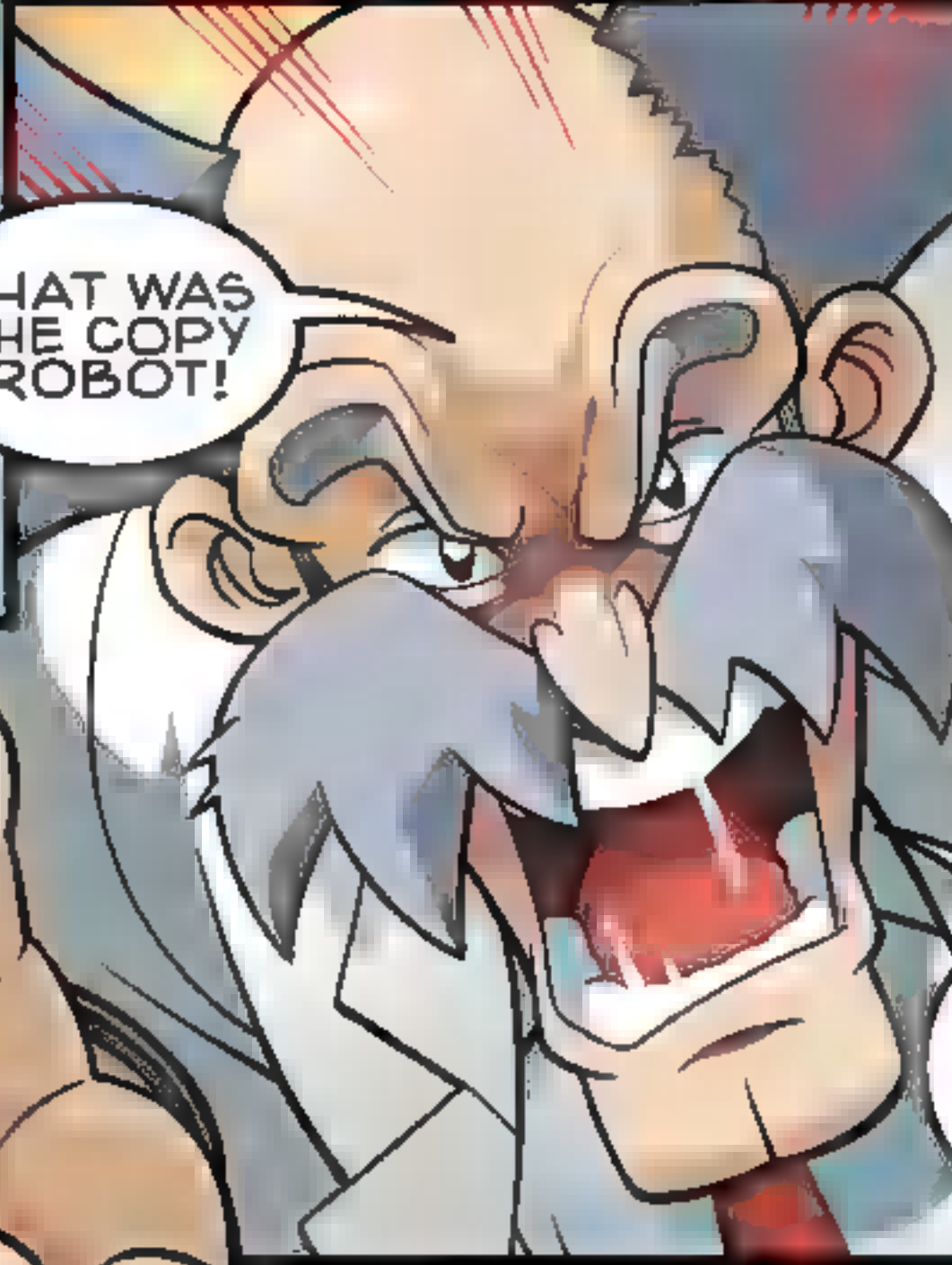
THERE
HE IS, YOU
IDIOTS!
DESTROY
MEGA
MAN!



OH,
COME ON.
I JUST
SAVED
YOU!



BUT
WE *DID*
DESTROY
MEGA
MAN.



THAT WAS
THE COPY
ROBOT!

IF HE
WAS A
PERFECT
COPY,
ISN'T HE
THE SAME
THING?



YES!
WAIT, NO!
MAYBE!
ARGH!

SOON...

--KZZT--
...MAN?
CAN YOU
READ ME?

DR. LIGHT!
YES, I CAN
HEAR YOU!

THANK
HEAVENS! ARE
YOU HURT? WHAT'S
HAPPENED
SINCE WE LOST
CONTACT?

I'M FINE!
I FREED
THE ROBOT
MASTERS
AND CAUGHT
DR. WILY,

YOU PUT IT SO
SIMPLY. BRAVO, ROCK!
NO, EXCUSE ME...

...WELL
DONE,
**MEGA
MAN!**

LIGHT LABS...

HE DID IT!
HE DID IT!

HE'S GOING
TO NEED ENERGY
AND REPAIRS.

OOH!
AND THE
ROBOT
MASTERS,
TOO!

I'LL
START
GATHERING
EVERY-
THING.

AW, NOW,
AIN'T SHE
JUST SO
CUTE AND
PERKY?

QUITE.

DR. WILY
ACTIVATED US
FOR A REASON.
WE MUST MOVE
QUICKLY. TIME
IS OF THE
ESSENCE.

**AND SO ENDS MEGA MAN'S
FIRST ADVENTURE! BUT WHO
ARE THESE NEW ROBOT
MASTERS, AND WHAT EVIL ARE
THEY PLOTTING?
COME BACK HERE NEXT TIME
FOR THE ANSWERS AND EVEN
MORE ADVENTURES!**

A close-up of Mega Man's face, focusing on his large blue eye and orange cheek. The background is a vibrant blue space filled with glowing white circuitry patterns, resembling a digital or cybernetic environment. The overall tone is futuristic and high-tech.

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TIME KEEPS SLIPPING

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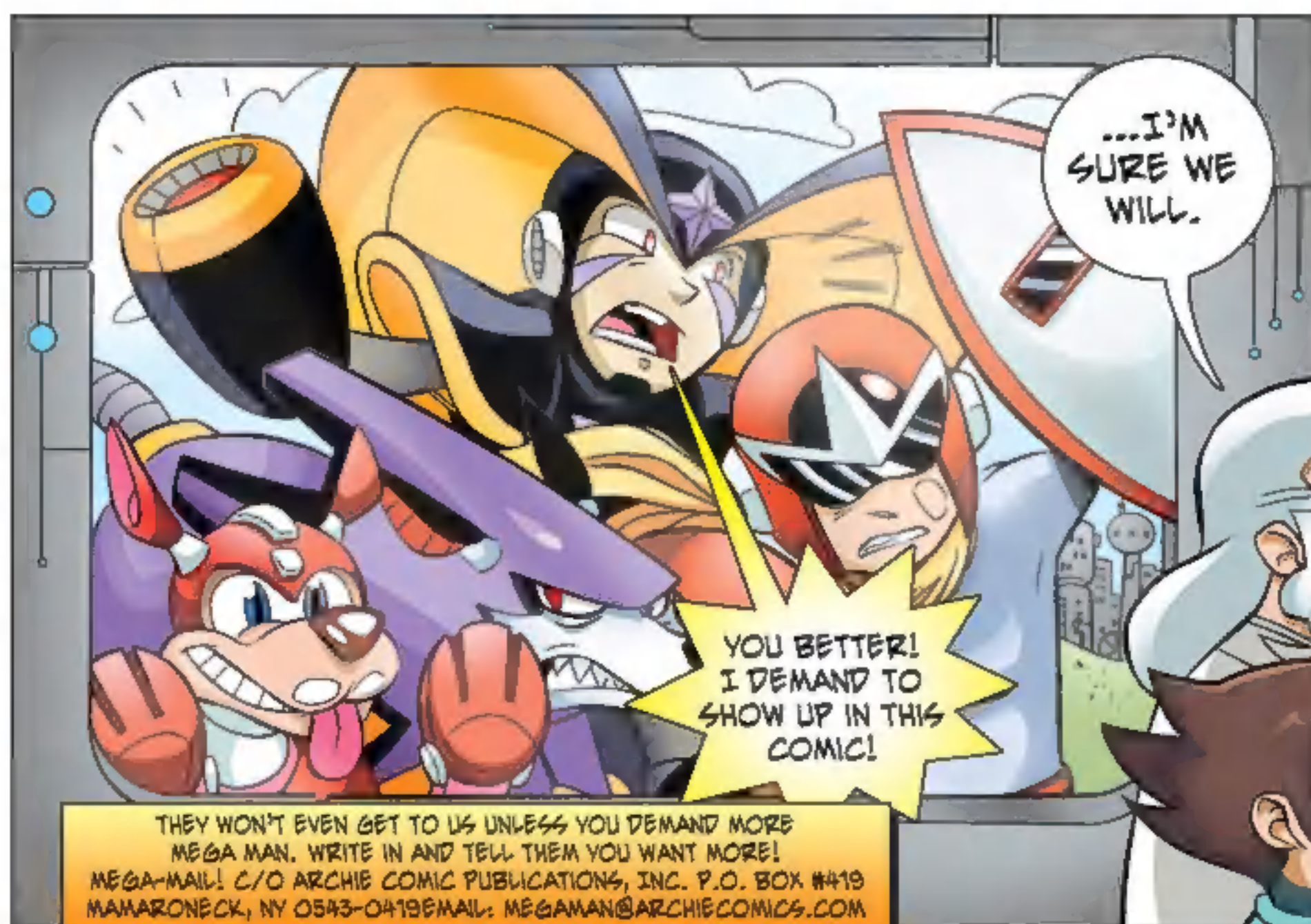
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ROCK & THE ROBOT MASTERS ARE HARD AT WORK CLEANING UP DR. WILY'S MESS-- ONLY TO DISCOVER DEADLY NEW ENEMIES!

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 9/13/11!



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